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CRIMINAL & JUVENILE JUSTICE INFORMATION ADVISORY GROUP MEETING MINUTES

November 13, 2020

9:00 AM -11:00 AM

WebEx

Attendees

Advisory Group Members:	Organization
Bartell, Diane	BCA
Bodie, Marv	Association of Minnesota Counties
Carson, Barbara	Public Member
Conklin, Shana	League of MN Cities
Densley, James	Public Member
Hibbs, Brian	Minnesota Association of County Probation Officers
Holmgren, Steve	Board of Public Defense
Kuisle, Peggy	Minnesota Supreme Court
MacMillan, Tim	Minnesota Association of County Probation Officers
McCormick, Jeff	MN Chiefs Association
Pohlman, Roger	League of MN Cities
Ramlo, Jon	Association of Minnesota Counties
Reitz, Nate	MN Sentencing Guidelines Commission
Roller, Artika	Public Member
Schwab, Lindsay	Minnesota Association for Court Management
Trebil, Kristin	Minnesota Supreme Court
Washburn, Steve	League of MN Cities
Wiersma, Jodie (for Jeff Johnson)	Minnesota Association of Counties
Willert, Amy	Minnesota Association for Court Management
Gotz, Dana	BCA
Duellman, Carla	BCA
Letourneau-Lackner, Julie	BCA
Pizza, Matt	BCA
Sanchez, Angie	BCA
Zafke, Patti	BCA

Welcome and Introductory Items

Advisory Group Chair Steve Washburn called the meeting to order. Roundtable introductions were made. A motion was made and seconded to approve the August 14, 2020 Advisory Group meeting minutes. A vote was taken. **The motion carried.** A motion was made and seconded to approve the agenda. A vote was taken. **The motion carried.**

Crime Reporting/NIBRS (National Incident-Based Reporting System) – Patti Zafke, BCA Product Manager

Patti's presentation detailed the differences between Summary crime reporting and National Incident-Based Reporting System (NIBRS). MN has been transitioning from Summary reporting to NIBRS reporting since the BCA's new Crime Reporting System was implemented in 2016. The transition will benefit law enforcement by providing better data for proactive policing and addressing crime trends. It will also benefit researchers and the media in analyzing and reporting on crime data. Data quality and quantity improves crime analysis.

NIBRS allows for more enriched data of the incidents which includes the characteristics and relationships of victims and offenders.

The FBI announced in 2016 that it would sunset Summary crime reporting in favor of NIBRS reporting in January 2021. The BCA committed to transition 100% of its agencies by the end of 2020. As of this meeting there are 391 agencies out of 420 (93%) that have transitioned.

BCA continues to have meetings with the FBI, officials from other states, stakeholders and the public via meetings and surveys.

Data & Identification Standards Subcommittee Update – Chief Jeff McCormick

The Data and Identification Standards Subcommittee provided an overview on its white paper concerning misidentified offenders.

The biggest question was "Why does this happen?"

Simply put, offenders lie or are inconsistent with the information they provide to law enforcement. They don't always give the correct name/date of birth or use someone else's name/date of birth. Individuals are victimized and impacted by these actions. This could impact an individual getting a job, housing, a specific license etc.

Jeff discussed that different data systems use different data. Law enforcement uses photo ID, or name/DOB, Courts uses name/DOB. BCA uses fingerprints. Prosecutors use name/DOB. DOC uses name/DOB and OID.

Jeff asked for feedback on the white paper from the group.

Data Practices Subcommittee Update – Barbara Carson

Last meeting was on trying to find out how to investigate data sharing among different processes in the Criminal Justice system.

Barbara will create a grid and links to the statutes.

Review of current vacancies and discussion (how to get more people of color on the Advisory Group)

The group discussed the issue of increasing the diversity of the Advisory Group. The Policy Group and Task Force did previously consider adding communities of color representation but couldn't agree on the scope or what groups should be represented. Advisory Group members will reach out to relevant organizations to fill open positions. Further discussion will be held at the February 12, 2021 meeting.

Next Meeting:

Friday, February 12, 2021

9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

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The meeting adjourned.